3 READING

a Look at three more pictures from the National Portrait Gallery. Do you know who the people are or anything about them?







b 3 47 Read and listen to three audio guide extracts. Check your answers to **a**.

1 Marilyn Monroe was born in Los Angeles, California in 1926. When she was a child, her life was very hard. Her mother was sick, and her father wasn't there very much. Marilyn was a factory worker and a model before she was an actress. Marilyn's three husbands were very important to her during her life. Her first husband was a sailor, the second was a famous baseball player, Joe DiMaggio, and the last was a famous writer, Arthur Miller.

2 Mary Wilson, Diana Ross, and Florence Ballard were born in the 1940s in Detroit, Michigan. Together they were The Supremes, a pop and soul singing group during the 1960s. All three women were very talented singers. In 1965, the Supremes were the first all-female singing group to have a number one album in the US. Their music was popular with everyone—men and women, teens and adults—and it is still popular today.

3 Thomas Edison, an inventor and businessman, was born in Ohio in 1847. At 13, he was an excellent salesperson selling candy and newspapers to train passengers. Later, he was the inventor of the incandescent light bulb, a movie camera, and the phonograph. Edison was also the owner of many companies, and some of them are in business today, e.g., General Electric. He was the loving husband of two wives—Mary Stillwell (1855–1884) and Mina Miller (1865–1947)—and the father of six children.

c Read the texts again and answer the questions.

1 Why was Marilyn's life hard when she was a child?
2 Who were Joe DiMaggio and Arthur Miller?
3 Were there any men in The Supremes?
4 Why is The Supreme's music still popular today?
5 What was Thomas Edison good at when he was a boy?
6 Who was Thomas's second wife?

d Cover the texts. What can you remember?

4 VOCABULARY word formation

a Find words in the texts for people made from these words:

1 act _____ (OR actor)
2 sail _____
3 play _____
4 write _____
5 sing _____
6 business _____
7 design _____
8 invent _____

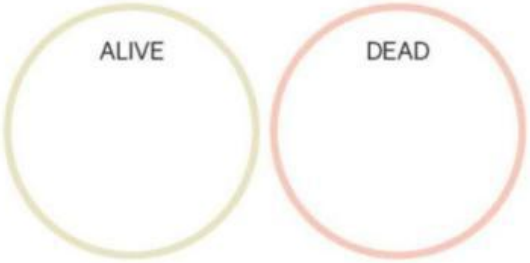
Word building: professions
We often add *-er* or *-or* to a verb, e.g., *writer, actor.*
We often add *-ian, -ist,* or *-man/woman* to a noun, e.g., *musician.*

b Are the words below verbs or nouns? Do you know the words for the people?

1 dance _____
2 compose _____
3 politics _____
4 science _____
5 direct movie _____
_____
6 novel _____
7 sports _____
_____
8 paint _____
9 art _____
10 music _____

c 3 48 Listen and check. Underline the stressed syllable. Practice saying the words.

d Write the names of four famous people in each circle. Ask a partner.



Who's Shakira? — *She's a singer.*
Who was Charles Darwin? — *He was a scientist.*

5 LISTENING & WRITING

a 3 49 Listen to five clues about two famous people. Do you know who they are?

b With a partner, write clues about a famous man and a woman (both dead).

c Read your clues to another pair. Do they know the people?

LIVEWORKSHEETS